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In reply refer to: LP-7

Clerk of the Board, Air Resources Board 1001 I Street Sacramento, California 95814 (Submitted electronically via CARB's online comment form)

RE: (1) 15-day Comment Period on Proposed Amendments to the Regulation for the Mandatory reporting of Greenhouse Gas Emissions and:

(2) 15-day Comment Period on Proposed Cap on Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Market-Based Compliance Mechanisms Regulation

Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) previously submitted written comments on these matters on December 15, 2010 and August 1, 2011. ARB has not acknowledged or responded to BPA's comments. Western Area Power Administration (WAPA) submitted similar comments, which ARB has also failed to address. BPA will not repeat its earlier comments, but hereby incorporates them by reference. BPA again requests that ARB act on its comments, as set forth in its August 1, 2011 filing.

As BPA has previously discussed with ARB staff, it is BPA's intent to <u>voluntarily</u> report on GHG emissions. BPA strongly disagrees with ARB's suggestions in its greenhouse gas reporting rules and cap & trade rules that it has "authority" to regulate BPA and that BPA is "required" to comply. BPA wishes to make clear that BPA is participating in California's GHG reporting program and cap & trade program purely on a <u>voluntary</u> basis, and BPA is not conceding that California has any jurisdiction over BPA. BPA files this letter to preserve that position.

Sincerely,

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cc: Koji Kawamura, WAPA Office of General Counsel (via email)